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IN REAPPLICATION OF

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FOR: PROBING METHOD AND PROBER

RESTRICTION RESPONSE

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated August 12, 2004, Applicants elect Group I, Claims 1-13 directed to a prober. Applicants make this election based on the understanding that Applicants are not prejudiced against filing one or more divisional applications that cover the non-elected claims.

Accordingly, an action on the merits is respectfully requested.

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Restriction Response

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